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# LETTER DATED 9 MAY 1994 FROM THE REPRESENTATIVES OF UGANDA AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

We have the honour to forward herewith a joint press statement issued in Kampala on 7 May 1994 by President Yoweri Museveni of the Republic of Uganda and United States Assistant Secretary of State for Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs John Shattuck.

We should be grateful if you could kindly arrange to have this statement circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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## Annex

## Uganda and the United States call for immediate cease-fire in Rwanda

Kampala, 7 May 1994

Following exhaustive discussions on the grave situation in Rwanda, President Yoweri Museveni and United States Assistant Secretary of State for Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs John Shattuck agreed to issue the following joint press statement:

"On 6 May 1994, President Yoweri Museveni received President Clinton's Special Envoy, Assistant Secretary of State for Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs John Shattuck, to discuss the ongoing tragedy in Rwanda.

"Mr. Shattuck was accompanied by Ambassador Johnnie Carson, United States Ambassador to Uganda, and Ambassador David Rawson, United States Ambassador to Rwanda. President Museveni was accompanied by the Hon. Paul K. Ssemogerere, Second Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs, the Hon. Agard Didi, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs and Mr. Chris Katsigazi, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

"The President and the Assistant Secretary of State held exhaustive discussions on the grave situation obtaining in Rwanda. In particular, they discussed the resumption of hostilities between the Rwandese government forces and those of the Rwandese Patriotic Front, the continued massacres of civilians and the resulting exodus of refugees into neighbouring countries.

"They expressed deep concern over the tragic humanitarian catastrophe prevailing in Rwanda and the suffering that the hostilities have brought upon the civilian population.

"The President and Mr. Shattuck agreed that Rwandese leaders must end all forms of violence against civilians and engage in an immediate cease-fire through a process of military-to-military negotiations as discussed at Arusha. They also discussed and agreed on the need to curb the flow of arms into the country.

"President Museveni and Assistant Secretary Shattuck agreed that an inquiry into human rights violations in Rwanda should be initiated urgently. They welcomed the announcement by United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Ayala Lasso that he would undertake a mission next week to Rwanda. They expressed support for the idea of convoking a special session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights to examine urgently the human rights crisis in Rwanda.

"President Museveni and Mr. Shattuck discussed the urgent need for unimpeded access to all forms of humanitarian assistance, especially food

and emergency medical attention, for all displaced persons and others in need in Rwanda. During the discussion, President Museveni expressed support for an enhanced international presence in Rwanda to achieve these objectives and facilitate dialogue.

"President Museveni proposed a regional summit at which all the warring parties would be represented as the best way of finding a lasting solution to the conflict in Rwanda.

"Assistant Secretary Shattuck reiterated the strong United States commitment to work with others in the international community to help to provide humanitarian assistance for the victims of the Rwanda crisis. He expressed President Clinton's deep appreciation for the leadership role President Museveni had undertaken in seeking a solution to the tragedy in Rwanda."

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